Textile Exports

4476. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether textiles exports rose by about 33 per cent in the first nine months of the current financial year; and

(b) if so, the comparative figures of exports during April to December, 1994 and the corresponding period last year, indicating separately the figures relating to different textiles items?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) During April to December 1994, textile exports had shown an increase of 32.1 per cent over the performance during the corresponding period last year. The sectorwise details are as follows:

	in US Million dollars	
	April– Dec. 93	April– Dec. 94
1. Readymade Garments	2359.83	3119.19
2 Cotton Textiles	1454.65	2050.64
3. Man-made fibre textiles	425.44	526.60
4. Silk textiles	181.09	222.85
5. Woolen textiles	136.26	131.04
6. Handicrafts	775.78	1026.22
7. Jute	88.23	86.23
8 Coir	28.71	38.62
Total	5449.99	7201.40

Modernisation of Sick Mills in Maharashtra

4477. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been received from Government of Maharashtra for modernising low capacity textile mills (sick mills) in that State during the current financial year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY (a) to (c) As per information furnished by Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI), 5 unit mills and 3 subsidiaries of Maharashtra State Textile Corporation (MSTC) have been registered with Board for Industrial & Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) as sick. IDBI has been appointed as Operating Agency by BIFR. Govt. of Maharashtra has agreed, in principle, to waive the entire amount of Govt. loan and to provide 30 per cent of cost of modernisation.